

## Church News.

### ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE BRETHREN CHURCH AND SABBATH SCHOOLS OF PENNA., FOR 1896.

To be Held in the First Brethren Church, Salisbury, Penna., September 17, 18, 19 and 20.

#### Program Eighteenth Annual Sabbath-school Convention.

FIRST SESSION, THURSDAY, 2 P. M.

Opening Services:

The Devotional, J. F. Koontz.  
The Welcome, Allie Smith.  
The responsory, Delegates.  
Music.

Organization.

Appointment of Committees.

Music.

Assignment of Queries.

The Evidences of Success in the Sabbath-school. H. Gochmour, M. J. Beachy and D. J. Bole.

SECOND SESSION, THURSDAY, 7:30 P. M.

Prayer and Praise Service, conducted by J. F. Murray.

Sermon, The New Woman, Mary M. Sterling.

Offering.

Music.

Queries.

THIRD SESSION, FRIDAY, 9 A. M.

Devotional Service, E. E. Haskins.  
Paper, Mrs. D. K. Bole.  
Methods of Bible Class Teaching and Training, Wesley Adams, Dr. J. C. Kennedy and E. E. Roberts.  
Music.

How may we Interest our Young Men in Sabbath-school Work? Pat O'Neill, J. M. Murray and R. Z. Replogle.  
Music.

Report of Treasurer and Committees.  
Miscellaneous Business.  
Adjournment.

#### Program Ninth Annual Church Convention.

FIRST SESSION, FRIDAY, 2 P. M.

Devotional Service, D. J. Bole.  
Moderator's Address, J. C. Mackey.  
Music.

Organization.

Appointment of Committees.

How may the Brethren Church Reach the Masses? S. Hildebrand, I. D. Bowman, and J. W. Fitzgerald.

Paper, J. A. Miller.

SECOND SESSION, FRIDAY, 7:30 P. M.

Prayer and Praise Service, conducted by E. H. Smith.

Sermon, "The Knowledge of Christ." M. C. Myers.

Music.

Queries.

THIRD SESSION, SATURDAY, 9 A. M.

Devotional Service, W. A. Harmon.

Reports:

Mission Board.

State Evangelists.

Discussion of Mission Work, E. E. Haskins and J. W. Smouse.

Election of State Evangelist.

Music.

Should there be Uniformity in the Observance of the Rites and Ordinances of the Gospel? Opened by J. B. Wampler.

Music.

Queries.

FOURTH SESSION, SATURDAY, 2 P. M.

Devotional Service, M. C. Myers.  
Our Church Literature, What it is, and What it Should be. J. H. Knepper, and W. L. Spanogle.  
Music.

Systematic Beneficence, Albert Trent.  
Music.

Paper, Young People's Work. Mary Olinger.

FIFTH SESSION, SATURDAY, 7:30 P. M.

Prayer and Praise Service, I. D. Bowman.  
Sermon, "The Voice of God." R. E. Darling.  
Music.

Report of Treasurer and Committees.  
Miscellaneous Business.  
Adjournment.

#### SABBATH SESSIONS.

10:30 A. M., Divine Worship and Sermon, by W. L. Spanogle.

1:30 P. M., Sabbath-school, conducted by M. J. Beachy.

6:30 P. M., Prayer and Praise Service, conducted by J. C. Mackey, assisted by the choir.

7:30 P. M., Divine Worship and Sermon, by I. D. Bowman.

Notice to the brethren and sisters who may constitute the Pa., State Convention:

1. Come to Convention with credentials in proper form.  
2. Come prepared to pay to the treasurer \$1.00 for your school, and \$1.00 for your church.

3. Study the topics from the program, and get your addresses condensed and to the point.

4. Pastors, send news for the moderators report.

N. B.—Do not wait until you come to Convention to pray. Do plenty of praying before; then get down to business,

during the several sessions, with dispatch and in the fear of God.

J. C. MACKAY, Moderator.

Meyersdale, Pa.

#### PROGRAM OF THE S. S. C. E. SESSION, PENNSYLVANIA STATE CONVENTION.

1. Devotional Services.  
2. Organization.  
3. Report of Delegates.  
4. How May We Secure a Better Attendance at Our Work Meetings,—Miss Anna Beachley.

5. How Can We Awake a Greater Zeal Among Our Sisters for Missionary Work,—Mrs. D. K. Bole.

6. How Can We Promote Greater Spirituality in Our S. S. C. E. Work,—Mrs. J. H. Knepper.

7. The Benefits of the S. S. C. E. to my Church,—Mrs. Dr. McKinley.

8. The Relation of the S. S. C. E. to the Young People,—Mrs. M. C. Myers.

9. The Possibilities Which lie in the S. S. C. E. Work,—Mrs. Edith Beachy.

10. How Can the S. S. C. E. Create a Greater Interest in the Local Church for Our School,—Mrs. J. C. Mackey.

Each item will be open for general discussion.

MRS. M. C. MYERS,

National Sec. S. S. C. E.

#### FROM LA PAZ, IND.

The La Paz congregation is still prospering. Brother I. N. Miller preached on the evenings of the 22 and 24. We had a business meeting in the afternoon of the 24. I. N. Miller and Jacob Rothemberger were elected delegates for the conference. In the evening we had a splendid meeting. The house was well filled and our hearts were filled with joy to see another soul confess Jesus. But just at the beginning of the services we were informed of Mr. Clayton's sudden death and it was a shock to every one present. Mr. Clayton was a respected resident of North Township and only lived a short distance from the church. He was found dead about five miles from home, having died with heart disease on his way home. He is the father of sister Eva Hostetler and sister Ollie Clayton. We can sympathize with this family for we know how hard it is to have the angel of Death visit the home without warning. Just think! Left the home happy and apparently in good health and then was brought home a corpse. A good lesson for us to remember, yes to always keep in mind that we may be called any moment. Are we ready? If not, make haste and get ready! I hope every one that can will attend the conference and do their best to make it successful.

EMMA HOUSER.